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FM AMCONSUL CALCUTTA

TO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI IMMEDIATE

SECSTATE WAYHDC IMMEDIATE 3989

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UNCLAS CALCUTTA 1195

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SUBJECT : COMMUNICATIONS WITH CALCUTTA

1. KEY ELEMENTS OF THE POWER SYSTEM IN OUR BUILDING BURNED OUT LAST EVENING AMID CONSIDERABLE FIREWORKS LEAVING US TOTALLY WITHOUT POWER.

2. WE HAVE A STANDBY GENERATOR PERMITTING US TO CONTINUE COMMUNICATIONS, BUT IT CANNOT FUNCTION 24 HOURS A DAY. UNTIL OUR REGULAR POWER IS AGAIN AVAILABLE (THE CURRENT ESTIMATE IS MONDAY, AND GIVEN THE EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE IT COULD BE LONGER), WE WILL TRANSMIT AND RECEIVE BETWEEN 0730-1200 AND 1400-1700. WE WILL ALSO TAKE IN ALL OUTSTANDING INCOMING TRAFFIC SHORTLY AFTER NOON SATURDAY, SO ANYTHING THAT REACHES US BEFORE SUNDAY NOON WILL BE AVAILABLE TO US SAME DAY.

3. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RECEIVE MESSAGES OUTSIDE THOSE HOURS, AND THE SYSTEM OF ALERTING OUR COMMUNICATORS TO NIACTS WILL BE SHUT DOWN. THUS IF SOMETHING COMES UP WHICH REQUIRES ACTION OUTSIDE THE HOURS NOTED ABOVE (AND CAN BE ACTED UPON AS A PRACTICAL MATTER OUTSIDE THOSE HOURS), DELHI WILL HAVE TO TELEPHONE US TO ALERT US TO THE NEED TO GET COMMUNICATOR IN START

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THE GENERATOR, AND RECEIVE THE MESSAGE. WE NATURALLY HOPE THIS

CONTINGENCY SETUP WILL BE RESORTED TO ONLY IN CASES OF GENUINE EMERGENCY.

4. ADDRESSES OTHER THAN NEW DELHI SHOULD ROUTE NIACT TRAFFIC FOR US THROUGH NEW DELHI DURING THIS PERIOD.

5. SINCE OUR CONSULATE SWITCHBOARD WENT OUT WITH EVERYTHING ELSE YOU WILL HAVE TO CALL DIRECT LINES. THEY ARE: KATHY AUSTIN - C/R 442541, DON REPLOGLE - C/G - 441711, WILLIAM BALL - ADMIN - 444250.
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